



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Katsumi Fujimoto et al.

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated October 5, 2005, be extended for three months to and including April 5, 2006.

Enclosed is a check for \$1020 for the required fee. Apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 14875-101001.

Respectfully submitted,

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